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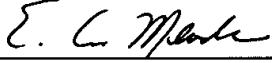
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Introductory Remarks:

This Paper is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed August 14, 2003 (herein referred to as "Notice"). In the Notice, the Office noted certain items relating to the claims that were deficient under the voluntary revised practice guidelines in the amendment filed July 11, 2003.

Pursuant to the Pre-OG Notice of July 11, 2003, entitled, "Amendments Permitted under the Revised Amendment Practice and Treatment of Non-Compliant Amendments," Applicant is submitting this Paper containing amendments solely to the claims section, as deficiencies to only this section were listed in the Notice.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Paper and reconsideration of the application in view thereof.

It is believed that this Paper is timely filed on or before September 14, 2003. Notwithstanding, should this Paper not be considered timely filed, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of months required to maintain pendency of the Application.